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Attention: Ms. Sue Kiser

Attention: Mr. Ray Sukys

Dear Ms. Kiser and Mr. Sukys:

With this letter and pursuant to the authority delegated to me, I approve the following Amendment of the San Diego Association of Governments (SANDAG) 2002/03-2006/07 Federal Transportation Improvement Program (FTIP):

<u>No.</u>	<u>Description</u>
3	State, Local and Transit Elements <ul style="list-style-type: none">Modifies or adds various projects from various funding programs in San Diego County. The amendment includes projects with funding from the Regional Surface Transportation Program (RSTP), National Highway System (NHS), Federal Demonstration Program, Federal Discretionary Program, Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ) program, Transportation Enhancement Activities (TEA), Highway Bridge Replacement and Rehabilitation (HBRR) program, Interstate Construction (IC) program, Traffic Congestion Relief Program (TCRP) and Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Section 5307, 5309 and 5311 Programs. See enclosure.

I am also recommending that the Federal Highway Administration and the Federal Transit Administration approve this FTIP Amendment No. 3 for inclusion into California's 2002/03-2004/05 Federal Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (FSTIP). Please note the enclosure contains information related to Amendments 3 and 4, as SANDAG's Board took action on them at the same meeting. SANDAG's Amendment No. 4 was approved by the state and transmitted to your office on November 25, 2002. Projects included in this FTIP in fiscal years not within the three-year cycle of the current FSTIP are not approved as part of this FTIP Amendment and are shown for information only.

The updated programming is for project types within Table 2 & 3 - Exempt Projects, of 40 CFR § 93.126 that are exempt from the conformity determination requirement, or have been found by the SANDAG to conform to applicable air quality regulations. Therefore, this FTIP Amendment is consistent with the State Implementation Plan. The financial impacts of this amendment are compatible with anticipated revenues in the FSTIP Financial Plan and do not significantly affect the overall financial analysis. These projects are included by SANDAG through the California Transportation Improvement Program System (CTIPS).

In accordance with existing law, public involvement procedures are a part of the project selection process. The SANDAG prepared this FTIP Amendment under that process permitting citizens, affected local agencies, other public agencies, and other interested parties reasonable opportunity for comment. This FTIP Amendment is consistent with SANDAG Intergovernmental Review (IGR) process.

Please address any questions on this FSTIP approval request to Abhijit Bagde of my staff at (916) 654-3638.

Sincerely,

ORIGINAL SIGNED BY
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Chief
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Enclosures

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